

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, and 46 have been amended to correct the structure of Formula (IV). Claims 19 and 20 have been amended to correct a typographical error. Claim 30 has been amended to correct the structure of a dimer acid. No new matter has been added.

It is submitted that all claims are now of proper form and scope for allowance. Early and favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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